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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Currently amended) A method for manufacturing a nitride semiconductor chip, said method comprising the steps of:

growing nitride crystals of a hexagonal system on a surface of a substrate; cutting said substrate along two directions that form a 120 degree angle;

forming a light-emitting section on a central section of the nitride semiconductor chip; and

forming an <u>triangular</u> electrodes at opposing ends of a planar surface of the nitride semiconductor chip.

- 2. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 1, further comprising, between said growing step and said cutting step, the step of grinding a back surface of said substrate.
- 3. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 2, further comprising the step of: making scratches on one of a front surface and a back surface of said substrate, between said grinding step and said cutting step, wherein said cutting step is performed by cutting said substrate along directions of said scratches.
- 4. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein said semiconductor chip has a planar shape of a rhombus.

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- 5. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein said substrate is sapphire.
- 6. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein said nitride crystals include GaN.

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7. (Withdrawn) A nitride semiconductor chip, comprising:

a substrate; and

nitride crystals of a hexagonal system and formed on said substrate; wherein the planer shape of said semiconductor chip is a rhombus having an interior angle of 120 degrees.

- 8. (Withdrawn) A semiconductor chip according to claim 7, further comprising:
 - a light emitting section formed on the central section of said rhombus of the planer shape of said semiconductor chip; and
 - electrode sections formed at both ends of said rhombus to pinch said light emitting section.
- 9. (Withdrawn) A semiconductor chip according to claim 8, wherein the planer shape of said electrode sections is triangular.
- 10. (Withdrawn) A semiconductor chip according to claim 7, wherein said substrate is a sapphire.
- 11. (Withdrawn) A semiconductor chip according to claim 7, wherein said nitride crystals include a GaN.
- 12. (Currently amended) A method for manufacturing a nitride semiconductor chip, said method comprising the steps of:

growing nitride crystals of a hexagonal system on a surface of a substrate; grinding a back surface of said substrate; and cutting said substrate along two directions that form a 120 degree angle; and forming triangular electrodes at opposing ends of the semiconductor chip.

13. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 12, further comprising the step of:

making scratches on one of a front and a back surface of said substrate, between said

grinding step and said cutting step, wherein

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said cutting step is performed by cutting said substrate along directions of said scratches.

14. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 12, wherein said semiconductor chip has a planar shape of a rhombus.

- 15. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 12, wherein said substrate is sapphire.
- 16. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 12, wherein said nitride crystals include GaN.

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